

**Andrew Lewis to George Washington, October 28, 1756,
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FROM MAJOR ANDREW LEWIS. ¹

AUGUSTA Octr. ye 28th 1756

SIR\

I Received a Letter from Capt. Paris Deated the 21t. of this Month, he tels me that he sent for guns and other Necessarys for the Indians with him, the Indians are highly pleased with ye Arms and the Large preparation made for them the wareour proposed Sending a Runar to the Nation with one of ye guns, and Likewis to Aqueant them what is provided for them, he Makes no Doubt but of a great Number: Coming in, he would not Do any thing in ye Mater Before he had my Aprobation, I aproved of his Seame and has wrot to Capt. Pearis to Dress the Runar as well as posable and send a white man with him which is the wareours Desire; I have wrot to Outosity² and aquented him of Every thing provd. he will publish it in ye. Nation if he has not Marched Before he Receives my Letter—the Indian and white men who were a pointed to go to Houlson's River is Now on thire March in Order to make thee Discovery—the Enemy are Frequently Seen Neare Variss, what few Indians we have are there Now in Sarch of them —

Sir As Sargt. McCulty has ben in the Service from the Begining and has Behaved well I hop Sir you will Advance him, he has been Long Over Lookd. —

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I am Much Recovered I purpos to take my Journy for Willm,burg to Morrow or Nixt Day —

I am Sir your most obedt. & very Hume. Servt. ANDW. LEWIS

1 Major Andrew Lewis, son of John and Margaret [Lynn] Lewis, was born in Ulster, Ireland, in 1720. His father was of a Huguenot family which settled in Ireland, and came to Virginia in 1732. In 1756 he commanded the Sandy Creek Expedition; in 1758 was made prisoner and taken to Montreal in the expedition under Major Grant. He was made brigadier-general in 1774, and October to commanded the victorious Virginia troops at the battle of Point Pleasant against a most formidable force of Indians. Major Lewis was a prominent member of the House of Burgesses. He died September 25, 1781, at the residence of Captain Talbott, in Bedford County, Virginia, and was interred in the burial ground on his home farm on the Roanoke River.

2 Outacite, Wootassitie, or Mankiller, king of the Cherokee Indians.